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THE SWORD MASTER OF BLACK IRON IS KICKED OUT OF THE MAGIC GUILD WHEN HE'S UNABLE TO FOLLOW AN ORDER TO DESTROY THE BEAUTIFUL BOY CALLED FLOMA. THEN ONE NIGHT, FLOMA COMES HOME WITH A LETTER FOR KIRA WHO ARE THE CONTENTS OF THIS LETTER AND WHY IS FLOMA SO AFRAID TO PRESENT IT TO HER AUNT? ALSO INCLUDED IN THIS VOLUME ARE KIRA MITSURUGI'S EARLY SHORT STORIES "STRAWBERRY CHILDREN," "ELDER HOUSE," AND "THE REASON WHY I'M POOR AND UNLOVED."



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Strawberry Children





Congratulations!



GET OUT!



CAN IT BE ANYTHING?



SEND HIM AWAY FOR
KILL ME!



WHEN YOU
DO, I
WILL
BE
THE
ONE
TO
KILL
YOU!



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CAT
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AUGUST 1998

I DREW THIS FOR AN ANNIVERSARY EDITION OF SOME MAGAZINE OR OTHER. IT WAS DONE IN COLOR, OBVIOUSLY. IT MIGHT SEEM ODD THAT I'M INCLUDING SUCH AN OLD PIECE, BUT I REALLY LIKED THE COLOR!

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JANUARY 2001

THERE ARE TWO STORIES THAT FEATURE EXTREMELY PSYCHICAL BEINGS IN THIS BOOK. I WANTED THE ONE TO BE AN ORDINARY LOVE STORY THAT TAKES PLACE IN AN AFTER-SCHOOL ACADEMY. PERSONALLY, I LIKE THE LEADING MAN... I GUESS I HAVE A THING FOR PSYCHOLICAL TYPES!

NOVEMBER 1999

I HAD A LOT OF FUN WHILE WORKING ON THIS. IT WASN'T STRESSFUL AT ALL. IT'S ABOUT A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A CRY-BITTER ALIEN AND MY POOR MAIN CHARACTER.

APRIL 1998

I VIVIDLY REMEMBER MY LIFE FROM WHEN I WAS WORKING ON THIS STORY. I HAD A HARD TIME BEING BECAUSE IT WAS VERY HOT, EVEN THOUGH IT WASN'T SUMMER.

DECEMBER 1997

I DEBATED WITH THIS COMIC IN 1997. I WAS SO HAPPY BECAUSE I WAS WORKING ON THIS. I THINK THIS IS WHEN I STARTED MAKING EVERY MAIN CHARACTER IN MY COMIC A LITTLE BIT WEIRD.

AUGUST 2000

I'M QUITE SURE I COMPLETED THIS COMIC REALLY QUICKLY (BY MY STANDARDS). THE IDEA CAME FROM A CHARACTER FROM ANOTHER COMIC THAT I NEVER FINISHED. I THINK THAT OTHER COMIC IS SOMEWHERE IN MY HOUSE.

THE ELEVENTH CAT (EXTRA)

THIS IS AN ADDITION TO MY FIRST SERIES, THE ELEVENTH CAT. I'M HAPPY TO SEE IT IN PRINT. IT'S THE FIRST STORY OF THE FIVE I'VE EVER DONE, AND THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT SOMEONE'S ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT.

THE ELEVENTH CAT (EXTRA)

PIECES FROM
NOMI'S PAST

AND REVEALING THE
HARBORING A SECRET
OF LOVE AND BETRAYAL
OF THE PAST REVEALED
THE REASON WHY THE
IS A SECRET OF THE
SPECIFIC REASON
NOMI



IT REALLY
WOULDN'T
MATTER.

COME WITH ME, THEN.
I'LL SHOW YOU
SOMETHING YOU'VE NEVER
SEEN.

UUM...

YOU'RE THE
ONE WHO SAID NO
FAVORS. YOU CAN'T
TAKE THAT BACK.

IT'S NOT AS FUN TO PLAY
TO WIN. I'D RATHER RELAX
AND TAKE IT EASY. ENJOY
THE EXPERIENCE.

STOP
BURLING AND
TAKE THIS...
CHECK-
MATE!

BOOM!
BOOM!
BOOM!

FORGET
IT! I TOLD
YOU IT'S
NO FUN!

LOSER'S
DESPERATE
TANTRUM

DARN IT!
WHATEVER
GAME I PLAY,
I LOSE. IT
SUCKS.

I DON'T
REALLY
NEED YOUR
POWERS...

IS THERE
ANYTHING
HE'S NOT
GOOD AT?

.....

THAT'S
RIGHT. HE
SAID THAT
EVEN BACK
THEN.

WHY DOES HE
WANT ME, THEN,
IF NOT FOR MY
POWERS?

NOW!
THE
NEW
LOOKING
ENERGY-
BARRIE!

I SEARCHED
THE WHOLE
FOREST FOR
YOU. IT'S
LUNCHTIME!
COME ON.

OH
FOMA,
I'M
BOOBY!

YOU NEVER
SAP OUT ON
FOOD. WHAT'S
WRONG?

LOOK,
I BAKED
BROWNIES
FOR YOU
WANT ONE?
AREN'T YOU
HUNGRY?

HOW? FOMA,
I LOVE YOU!
THEY LOOK
DELICIOUS!

YOU'RE
THE BEST!

YUMMY!

FOMA IS...

SHE LOOKS
LIKE A HUMAN
BUT SHE
CAN ONLY FEEL
HAPPINESS.

MAKING A
HUMAN DOLL
IS FORGOTTEN.
SO...

...THE WIZARD'S
GUILD INSTRUCTED
THE SWORD MASTER
TO DESTROY FOMA
OR FACE EXPIRATION

...THE
ONLY DOLL
CREATED BY
THE SWORD
MASTER OF
BLACK IRON

YOU CAN'T TELL US
YOU DIDN'T KNOW YOU
WEREN'T ALLOWED TO
CREATE HUMAN DOLLS
DISPOSE OF THE ASSEMBLY
IMMEDIATELY AND
PLEDGE TO NEVER CREATE
ANOTHER LIKE IT



YOU'RE KICKING
ME OUT? I CAN'T
SAY THAT BOY-ARND
ME. I'M SICK OF
YOUR WEAKLY
FACE AS IT IS.



HOW
COULD
ANYONE...

I'VE BEEN
LEARNING TO
BAKE
DIFFERENT
TYPES OF
COOKIES.

I'LL MAKE
SOMETHING
DIFFERENT IF YOU
LIKE. OF COURSE,
I CAN'T GUARAN-
TEE IT'LL TASTE
GOOD, BUT...

I WANT
SOMETHING SO
ADORABLE TO
BE DESTROYED

THE SWORD
MASTER
WOULDN'T
KILL HER.

SHE'S HIS
CREATION.
HE PROBABLY
FEELS
ATTACHED.

OKAY.



(STRAWBERRIES)
I LOVE STRAW-
BERRIES! I'LL
EAT ANYTHING IF
IT HAS STRAW-
BERRIES. (EVEN
RICE)



OH
SWEET
PLANT.

HOW
POOR
THE
SUNSHINE
ON
MIND

YOU'RE
HERE.
MY
MASTER
IS HERE.
THERE ARE
PLENTY OF
THINGS
FOR ME
TO DO



BY THE WAY,
RONA, DO YOU
LIKE IT HERE? I
KNOW, IS THERE
ANYTHING YOU
WANT TO DO
OR SEE?



I'M PERFECTLY
SATISFIED. WHY
DO YOU ASK?

I'M GRATEFUL
FOR EVERY DAY.
I OWE MASTER
SO MUCH FOR
HAVING
CREATED ME

I LOVE
BLUE
SKIES...

...THE
GREEN
SKY AND
CRISP FOREST
AIR...

...THE NIGHTS,
THE RAIN...IT
ALL MAKES ME
HAPPY.

EVEN IF MASTER
DECIDED TO END
MY EXISTENCE
TOMORROW, I
WOULDN'T HOLD
IT AGAINST HIM.

WHAT'RE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?
HE'D NEVER
DO THAT!

I'M JUST
SOUNDING
GENERAL.

IT'S GETTING
LATE. I SHOULD
GO IF I WANT
TO GET BACK
IN TIME FOR
DINNER.

GO?
WHERE ARE
YOU GOING?

I HAVE AN
ERRAND.
I NEED TO
DELIVER A
LETTER TO
MASTER
ABOUT THE
DAYS
LATER, APPARENTLY.

WILL YOU
MAKE ME
SOMETHING
WITH STRAW-
BERRIES
TOMORROW?

LIKE A
Luscious
CAKE WITH
STRAWBERRIES
AND FRESH
CREAM?

I'VE COOKED
AND I'LL
BE HERE TO
SERVE IT ALL
NIGHT.

WHY DO
YOU THINK
SO MANY
OF THEM?
THEY JUST
WANT TO
USE US!



HUMANS DON'T
APPROPRIATELY ANY-
THING WE DO FOR
THEM. WHY WOULD
YOU DEFEND SUCH
SELFISH BRATS?



I DON'T
EXPECT
GRATITUDE.



HUMAN
SCUM CAN
TAKE CARE OF
THEMSELVES!
WAIT FOR ME,
NOMI!

WHEN I GET
THROUGH, I'M
GOING TO COME
BACK FOR YOU!

IDIOT! I CAN'T
LIVE LIKE THIS! I'M
GOING TO BREAK THE
SEAL AND BLOW
THIS JOINT!



I'M GOING
TO COME BACK
FOR YOU!!!



I HEARD THAT
HE ACTUALLY
DID GET OUT,
BUT...

I NEVER
SAW HIM
AGAIN.



I WONDER
WHERE HE IS
AND WHAT
HE'S DOING.

THEY SAY IT TASTES
LIKE A BOMB.



THAT
TART-TOOTHY
CREAM CHEESE
SOUNDS
WONDER-
FUL...

I KNOW HE
WOULD NEVER
BREAK HIS
WORD...





YOU'RE NOT
ALREADY?
WHAT WAS
HIS REPLY?

AH...
WILL...



HE
WAS
TODAY...

HE
SAID
HIS
OWN
WORDS
IN A
MINUTE...



ALL RIGHT,
THEN, GO
BACK TO
YOUR
ROOM AND
REST. YOU
MUST BE
TIRED.

REALLY? THAT'S
STRANGE. I HEARD
HIM TO ANSWER
IMMEDIATELY.



AH...
YES...



NOW,
ARE YOU
AWAKE?



I WAS AFRAID
YOU'D FALLIN'
ALREADY.

FORGET!
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING UP AT
THIS HOUR?

WHAT AM I
GOING TO DO?
HIT? FIND OUT
IN A FEW DAYS...

AM
THINKING
REALLY.



WHAT SHOULD
I DO? I LIED TO
MASTER.

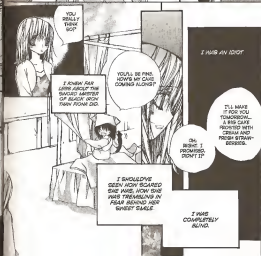
I TOLD
HIM
HATED
ARTHE.
DON'T
REPLY.



A MESSAGE.

DON'T WORRY.
A SMALL LIE LIKE
THAT CAN'T DO
MUCH HARM.

MY ADVICE
WAS TOTALLY
IRRESPONSIBLE.



YOU
REALLY
THINK
SO?

YOU'LL BE FINE.
HOW'S MY CAUSE
COMING ALONG?

I KNEW FAR
LESS ABOUT THE
SACRED MASTER
OF BLACK IRON
THAN FIONA DID.

I WAS AN IDIOT.

I'LL MAKE
IT FOR YOU
TOMORROW—
A BIG CAKE
PROTECTED WITH
CREAM AND
FRESH STRAW-
BERRIES.

OH,
RIGHT. I
PROMISED.
DON'T IT?

I SHOULD'VE
SEEN HOW SCARED
SHE WAS. NOW SHE
WAS TRAVELLING IN
FEAR BEHIND HER
SWEET SABLE.

I WAS
COMPLETELY
BLIND.

WHEN
MASTER
DISCOVERS
ME, HE'LL
HAVE TO
PUNISH
ME.

THERE SHE
WAS, SWELING...

SLEEP WELL.
I'M SORRY TO
HAVE BOTHERED
YOU.

...FOR THE VERY
LAST TIME.

THAT'S IT? THAT'S
WHY YOU KILLED
HER? AFTER YOU
REINFORCED THE
GUILD TO SAVE
HER?

WHAT HAVE
YOU DONE?
HOW COULD
YOU KILL
FRONIA?

YOU
MADE HER!
SHE WAS
YOURST!

I GUESS
SHE DIDN'T
WANT ME TO
KNOW ABOUT
ARTHUR'S
MARRIAGE.

THAT'S RIGHT.
SHE WAS MINE,
AND SHE OVER-
STEPPED HER
SOUND.

I DIDN'T QUIT
TO SAVE HER.
I JUST DIDN'T
WANT TO GO
WHAT THOSE
OLD FOOLS
TOLD ME.

!!

DON'T WASTE YOUR TIME
BUYING HER HER BODY
WILL DISAPPEAR ON ITS
OWN ACCORD



SHE WAS ALWAYS SMILING
SHE WAS NEVER SAD



FIONA!!

I'M SO SORRY
FIONA IF I HAD
TOLD YOU TO RUN
AWAY LAST NIGHT
YOU'D BE ALIVE

I'M SORRY
I'M SORRY...

I'M SORRY
FIONA!!

NOW!!
WAKE UP!!

WAKE
UP!!
WAKE
UP!!
WAKE
UP!!

SHH



AH, YES...
I HAD A
DREAM...
A DREAM
WITH A
BEAUTIFUL
GIRL IN IT.



IS THAT
WHY YOU'RE
SO CHERRY?
DREAMS AREN'T
REAL, DON'T
YOU KNOW?

IT HAPPENED
SOME TIME BEFORE
ARTHUR DIED.

AND THINGS
WERE NEVER THE
SAME.

THE END OF THE ELEVENTH CAT (EXTRA)

AN ALIEN LIVING ON EARTH THE ALIEN HOUSE



I'M
GOING!

SEE YOU
LATER



HAVE
YOU BEEN
WORKING
HARD?

YOU
LOOK
TIRED



YEAH,
BUT WHAT
CAN I DO?

IF I DON'T
WORK, I'LL TURN INTO
A COUCH POTATO, LIKE
SOMEONE I'M KNOW...

WHO MIGHT THAT BE?

WELL, THE ONE THAT'S SLUGGING AT HOME RIGHT NOW'S OF COURSE!

YOU SHOULDN'T SAY THAT STUFF IT'LL ALWAYS GET YOU IN TROUBLE.

NO TIME TO STAND AROUND FEELING GORRY FOR YOURSELF YOU'LL BE LATE!

PLUS, NOW YOU HAVE TO RENT PORN FOR HIM.

REALLY? I'LL BE SURE TO TELL HER.

GEAR SOME VIDEOS ON THE WAY HOME SOMETHING SWEET, PLEASE.

I SAID THAT TO ANA!

...KNOWING ALL ALONG THAT I WAS THE ONE IN TROUBLE, I MISSED THE BUS TO SCHOOL!

IS HE RIDING HIS BIKES TO SCHOOL?

I HIGHLY WOULD SUGGEST WE GO TO THE SIDE...

ALREADY!

STAY!

WOW!

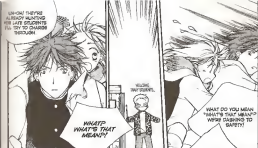
ARE YOU LATE?

WANT A RIDE?

HE READ MY MIND!

A WELL-BRED GIRL WOULD SHOOT AN OFFER LIKE THAT, BUT...

HEARD LETTING A GIRL ON THE BIKE WOULD BE A





IF WE GET CAUGHT, YOU CAN RUN AWAY! HE WON'T REMEMBER THE BOSS ON THE BACK OF THE BARE.

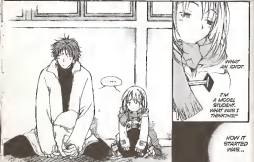
WRITING YOUR PROBLEMS DOWN WOULD BE SUCH A BURN! I DON'T WANT TO GET BURNED.



ARE YOU STOPPING THERE? MY MOMSROOM TEACHERS! HE HEAR HIS HOUSE



CHURCH



WHAT AN IDIOT

I'M A MODEL STUDENT. WHAT JUST I THINKING?

NOW IT STARTED WAS...



...THREE MONTHS AGO...

WE DROVE HERE ON PLANET EARTH



IT'S LIKE A PLOT OUT OF ONE OF YOUR SCIENCE-FICTION MOVIES. WE CAME TO RESCUE A STRANDED FRIEND.



SLOW DOWN! IF WE ENTER AT THIS SPEED, WE'LL CRASH!

ASHKON DON'T LEAVE NO EVIDENCE! DESTROY EVERYTHING!



A HUGE

BOOM!

BOOM!

EXPLOSION!



STRANDED WITH NO WAY TO RETURN...

THREE BALLS OF LIGHT

WE TRANSFORMED OURSELVES INTO HUMANS



OUR FRIEND HAD ALREADY WAITING TEN YEARS ALREADY

WHAT DID YOU JUST SAY?



OUR FINDERSTATED LEADER DASH ARE APPROXIMATELY SO

THE WHAT'S GOING IS DONE WE HAVE TO STICK TOGETHER.

NO WAY! DO YOU KNOW HOW DIFFICULT IT WAS TO LIVE HERE AS A SINGLE WOMAN?

I ONLY LAST ABOUT MY HOUSE! I CAN'T SUDDENLY SUPPORT ALL OF YOU!





I KNOW IT!
HE DOWN-LIKE
ME!

HE'S ONLY
NOW

IF ONLY HE
KNOWS THAT
JUST OF THE
ULTRA-ELITE
ON MY PLANET,
AND HE'S TOO
LAME FOR
ME!

ULTRA-ELITE
SHE WAS IN
NOT A SLACK
WINNER

REALLY?
DOES THAT
MAKE YOU TWO
A COUPLE?



IT'S INDIVIDUAL!
IT'S THE BEST
CHANCE FOR YOU
TO LEARN ABOUT
HUMAN INTERACTION.
A SUBJECT YOU
SOBERLY LACK IN.

IT'S MYSTERY
VIBES AND
LAME

DON'T
LET HIM GO
HE'S A GOOD
MAN



FEEL
FREE TO
SHAKE
VIDEO
POKING
TOO.

TELEVISION

YOU KNOW MY
BROTHER?



NO, NOT THE
POOR KING!
HOW EMBARRASSING!



WELL, NOT
REALLY. I MET
HIM ONCE AT THE
VIDEO STORE. HE MET
ME UP FOR A MOVIE
RECOMMENDATION ONE



I'LL SHOW
HOW I'LL BE
THE BEST AT
HUMAN
INTERACTION
THAN EVER
HIST!

SH?

OKAY!
LET'S
DATE!



HE'S PRETTY
GOOD TO LOOK
AT, BUT HE'S
GOTTA SUCK
IT UP

I SAID,
YES, I WILL
GO OUT
WITH YOU!



YOU
TWO...



...HAVE YOU
NO SHAME?
CHASING A LOVE
CONNECTION
WHILE YOU'RE IN
DETENTION?



GETTING
DETENTION FOR
BEING LATE IS
BAD ENOUGH,
BUT THE THOUGHT
HEARD US
MOCKING UP!





THANK YOU FOR WALKING ME HOME.

EVER SINCE MY HOUSE IS ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL.



ARE YOU AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND?



NOT REPLYING TO ME (OF COURSE)

GO THIS WAY

SURE PICK ANYONE



AWESOME. I'LL COME PICK YOU UP TOMORROW.



WHAT JUST HAPPENED?



WAAAA—PY



STAY AWAY FROM ME

I THINK I CALLED A TAXI. I'M GOING TO FOREIGN ON A FOREIGN PLANET!



I DON'T WANT TO DIE HERE!

SOMEONE HERE SHE WAS THE FIRST STANDING ALONE

SHE LOCKED HERSELF IN HER ROOM AND REFUSED TO EAT.





WELL,
WHERE
SHOULD
WE GO?

SHY?



I TOLD
YOU I'M SICK.
I CAN'T GO
OUT WITH
YOU!



SO
WHAT
DO
YOU
WANT
IN
MIND?



YOU'LL BE
FINE, EXERCISE
WILL DO YOU
GOOD.



EXERCISE
FOR
MEDICAL
PURPOSES?
NOW
BARBARIC!



WELL...

...IF HE REALLY
ARE GOING...



CAN WE
GO SEE THE
STARS?



WHY DID
HE BRING ME
HERE?

I TOLD
YOU I
WANTED
NOBODY



WE DOWN
ON THAT
BED.

WHAT?!



WHY-WHY-WHY
SHOULD I DO
THAT?!

JUST TRUST
ME. I'M GONNA
SHOW YOU
STARS.

WHAT'S THIS
GUY UP TO?

THIS GUY
IS OLD





LIE DOWN
AND CLOSE
YOUR EYES.
DON'T OPEN
THEM UNTIL I
TELL YOU TO.

MOMMY

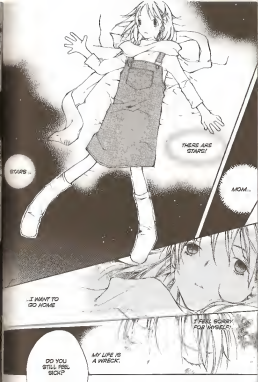
HOW ACTING
STUPIDLY...
MOMMY IS
PLANNING?

WHY
DID I
TURN
OFF THE
LIGHT?

STARS...

OPEN
YOUR
EYES.

AK...



THERE ARE
STARS!

MOM...

...I WANT TO
GO HOME

I FEEL SORRY
FOR MYSELF.

MY LIFE IS
A WRECK.

DO YOU
STILL FEEL
SICK?



NO, I'M FINE NOW

WHEN DID HE GET SO CLOSE?

SOMETHING, I TURN THE LIGHTS OFF AND JUST STARE AT ALL OF THEM UP THERE.

THEY'RE NOT REAL STARS, BUT THEY MAKE US FEEL LIKE WE'RE FLOATING IN SPACE TO LOVE TO MEET LIFE-FORMS FROM OTHER PLANETS. IT'S SUCH A BIG, WONDERFUL...

WHY... WHY ARE YOU NOT SO SAD AFTER ALL...



OH...

IT'S HAPPENING AGAIN...

YOU...

WHILE-P WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? HOW COULD I LIKE A RAT LIKE YOU?

YOU AND ALL THE CREEPS LIKE YOU!

I HATE YOU!

OTHER LIFE-FORMS...

I WONDER IF IT'S ACTUALLY GOOD FOR PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT PLANETS TO MEET...

...YOU LIKE ME, DON'T YOU?

YOU'RE NOT MY TYPE!

ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME? AM I ABOUT YOU ANYMORE?

WHY AREN'T YOU SPEAKING OUT?

WHY SHOULD I SPEAK? I KNOW YOU'RE JUST KISSING YOURSELF!

WHO SAYS?

BYE, IN ANY CASE, THANKS FOR SHOWING ME THE STARS. (CAN I CALL THEM THAT?)

AM I EVEN A WORTHY NO POLITE?

OOO...

SEE YOU LATER.

SEE YOU AT SCHOOL.

EVERYONE! TELL ME YOURS! THIS ISN'T LIKE ANY BOOKS I'VE READ ON THE SUBJECT.

WHY SHOULD I DO? MY GLASSES ARE GOTTEN WORSE.

IT'S LOVE.

FACE FACT. IT'S LOVE! AM I FALL IN LOVE WITH ME? I HAVE EARTH BOYS SYNDROM.

WELL, IT'S THE OPPOSITE.

NEXT AFTERNOON, SAYS OFF THE TEAM.

I GUESS I'M TALENTED IN THIS I DIDN'T EXPECT!

SOON HE' AT ALL.



THAT CINCIES IT!
WHEN I GET BACK
TO MY PLANET, I'M
GOING TO GET ME
A REALLY HOT
BOYFRIEND!

WELL ON THE
WINTER TO GO!



I WONDER
SHE KNOWS



THAT STILL
TAKE ANOTHER
TEN YEARS TO GET
ANOTHER RING!
SHE HIRE.

SHE'S NOT
LEAVING
ANIMAL



WELL SHE KNOWS
IT'S A MISTAKE

THE END OF THE ALICE BOOK

HIS REBELLION AGAINST THE
EVERYDAY (ON TWO PARTS) #1

THE REASON WHY I'M POOR AND BURDENED



I OPENED MY
EYES IN THE MIDDLE
OF THE NIGHT, AND IT
WAS RIGHT IN FRONT
OF MY NOSE.

IT WAS GLOWING
MILKY WHITE IN
THE MIDDNIGHT...

SOMETHING
TOTALLY
STRANGE!

ONLY
WITH ABOUT
THIRTEEN...

HEU...?

IT'S MOVING...

IS THIS SOME KIND
OF DREAM?
IF IT'S AN
OMEN OF
GOOD LUCK,
I SHOULD
BUY A LOTTERY
TICKET.

LOTTERY??

A FISH
A LUCK
CHARM



CRASH!
I MIGHT BE
DREAMING

IT'S
DREAMING

E...

I CAN FEEL IT!

JUST

OF

LUCK

WAAAAAAAAA!!

WOAH, JUST IS THIS BEING
CREATURE, ?



I'M ALREADY
TOTALLY BROKE.
I DON'T NEED
A MONSTER
GROWING DOWN
ON MY BUTT!!

IF I NEED THE
DRAWING, I HAVE
TO SPEND MONEY
BUYING USED
FEEDING MILK.

TRY THE
MACHINE!!
YOUNG MAN
IT'S CHEAP
TODAY.

IT'S ANNOYING
WHEN I THINK
ABOUT IT.

SKIP THE
LOTTERY
FEED YOUR
SELF!!

SORRY
I DON'T HAVE
ANY CASH.

THE LOTTERY



LASTING
TO THE
END!!

I WANT TO GET
A PRIZE!!
I WANT TO GET
A PRIZE!!

A WINNING LOTTERY
TICKET WOULD SOLVE MY
MONEY TROUBLES



IT'S STILL
HERE

WHY ARE YOU--!!
I CAN'T STAND IT
ANYMORE!! I'M GOING TO
CALL ANIMAL CONTROL!
OR MAYBE FRY YOU UP
AND EAT YOU!!!



NO!

DID IT...?

STILL
IN A DAZE
WOW

UH...
I'M SORRY I
SCREAMED.

NOT DOWN,
UP!!

I'M OVER
HERE! JUST
LOOK OUT THE
WINDOW.

AM I HEARING
THINGS?

IT... IT'S
A UFO!

ALIENS ARE
UNIDENTIFIED
FLYING
OBJECTS

WHIRL
G WHIRL

OH NO!
THEY'RE GOING
TO ABDUCT ME
AND PROBE ME
AND STUFF!

CALM DOWN,
WE DON'T DO
PROBING.

UH...
THAT BABY
YOU'RE HOLDING
IS CUTE

SWHE NASTY!
THIS THING'S
AN ALIEN!

OTS

OH... WELL,
LISTEN, NOW ABOUT
YOU KEEP HIM FOR
A WHILE?

WE'VE GOT A
LONG WAY TO GO,
AND INTERGALACTIC
TRAVEL IS BAD FOR
HEALTH.

YOU DON'T?
THEN WHY ARE
YOU WASTING
MY TIME?

I'M
BUDY!

ARE YOU GO
THAT KID BUT
YOU GUYS CAN
HE FOR THE
FOOD HE
KNE!

DON'T LIE!
YOU ABANDONED
HIM 'COS HE
BURN TOO
MUCH!

HOW DARE YOU
THAT'VE MET THE
REASON.

HE JUST WANT
DIE BARRY BURIED
IN A HEALTHY
ENVIRONMENT,
THAT'S ALL.

I'M SO POOR
CAN'T EVEN RUN
MYSELF! I CAN
HAVE A POWER
LIKE THIS HANGING
AROUND!

WHATE

YOU'RE A
REALLY LOUSY
LIAR.

LISTEN...

DO YOU
WANT ME TO
STARVE TO
DEATH?

ASKS TO
KEEP HIM, AND
WE'LL GRANT
YOU A WISH.

I CAN
BE RICH

A WISH?

YES, WE HAVE
TO TRAVEL FOR A
LONG TIME IN A SHOP
TOO SMALL TO CARRY
MANY PROVISIONS.

THAT BARRY
WAS TOTALLY
UNPLANNED.

CAN WE
PICK HIM UP
ON THE WAY
BACK?

FINE! BUT
YOU'LL HAVE TO
GET ME...

A LOTTERY...



SORRY, WE CAN
GRANT YOU ONLY ONE
WISH, AND YOU CAN'T
TAKE BACK WHAT
YOU SAID.

I DIDN'T EXPECT THEM TO
BE SO CUNNING

THAT'S
THE DEAL.
IF YOU DON'T
HOLD UP YOUR
END OF THE
BARGAIN, YOUR
LIFE WILL BE
THE PAYMENT.

DASH
ON

FAREWELL

WHAT'S
THIS?

IT'S A
LOTTERY
TICKET.

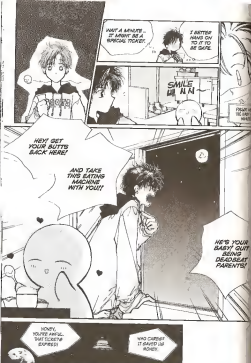
WE'VE
HERE
PROBABLY
HAD EACH
FOR EACH
FOR A
LONG
TIME.

POWER
TICKETS

IT'S
PUNCH

THIS ISN'T
GOOD ENOUGH!
I WANT A WINNING
TICKET! A WINNER!

ONE FOR
A BIG CASH
PRIZE!



THE END OF THE REASON WHY I'M DOOR AND BURDENED

HIS REBELLION AGAINST THE
EVERYDAY (IN TWO PARTS) #2

THE REASON WHY I'M POORER AND MORE BURDENED





THERE ONCE
WAS A POOR
STUDENT WHO
DREAMED ABOUT
WINNING THE
LOTTERY.

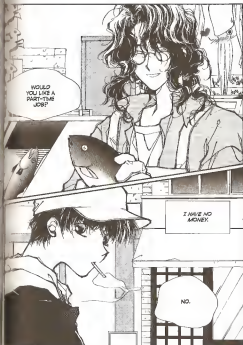
PERHAPS THE
PARENTS WERE
MOVED BY HIS
HARDWORK, AS
THEY GAVE HIM A
CHANCE TO
REALIZE HIS
DREAMS.



AT FIRST, IT
LOOKED AS
THOUGH THE ALIEN
PARENTS WOULD
GIVE HIM WHAT HE
WANTED IN
EXCHANGE FOR
TAKING CARE OF
THEIR BABY...



...ONLY HE GOT TRICKED
INTO TAKING AN OUT-OF-DATE
LOTTERY TICKET IN EXCHANGE
FOR THE FOOD-LOVING BABY.
THEN THE ALIENS FLY AWAY.



WOULD
YOU LIKE A
PART-TIME
JOB?

I HAVE NO
MONEY.

NO.

BUT I DON'T
WANT A JOB THAT
REQUIRES ME TO
HANDLE BLOODY,
SLURPERY HIGH
GUTS



YOU...

THE ALIEN BABY
HAS BEEN GOSPELING
UP ANYTHING AND
EVERYTHING THAT'S
EDIBLE



...YOU LOOK
LIKE YOU'VE LOST
WEIGHT. HAVE YOU
BEEN SKIPPING
MEALS?



HAD A
DECENT MEAL
IN A LONG TIME

하하하하
하하하하
THIR
THIR
TWO



I'VE HAD ONLY BAD
LUCK SINCE THE ALIENS
ABANDONED THEIR BABY IN
MY APARTMENT. ALL MY
LOTTERY TICKETS LOSE.

SO BEHOLD
A BOMB
AS USUAL

THEY SAYED WE OATH
WHEN I SEE THEM
WHEN I'M GOING TO
GREET THEM BUT
FOR THIS



WOULD YOU
LOST A WAGGLES UP
CHEAPER THAN SHEET
IT'S GOING TO LAST
AND SO JACK

THEY SAY
EVERYTHING'S
HARDER ON
YOUR OWN
AND THAT'S
DEFINITELY
TRUE



ARE YOU
REALLY MY
UNCLE?

WE HAVE SOME
MATTERING NOW
FOR THIS

SAYS
WHAT IT MEANS
IN THE FAMILY
BROTHER

IF WE'RE REALLY
RELATED, PLEASE
LOWER MY RENT

I DON'T
WANT TO.



DATA

IF YOU'RE REALLY
HAVING A TOUGH TIME,
ASK YOUR PARENTS
FOR HELP.

THEY CAN'T
JUST IGNORE
THEIR ONLY
SON.



I CAN'T. I CALLED
THEM ONCE A FEW
MONTHS AGO, BUT GAO
HUNG UP ON ME. HE
WOULDN'T SPEAK TO ME
UNLESS I GAVE UP
SMOKING

YOUR FATHER
IS GOING TO
BE FORTY NEXT
YEAR, AND HE'S
AS SLUGGISH
AS EVER

YOU'RE
THE ONE WHO
TAUGHT ME TO
SHOKE!



WHERE YOU
GO HAVE
DINNER
ON ME
TONIGHT

HOW MY UNCLE
BORN REPLACED
BY AN ANGEL?



WHAT THIS--

HOW IS
EVERYONE IN
MY LIFE SO
CHAINED
TOGETHER?

PLEASE
TO MY
MILK!

TO
THE GREAT
DEVOURER!

I RAN OUT
OF RICE AND
KIMCHI. HE
EVEN CHOPPED
AND ATE THE
ONIONS.

WE'RE WITH
ALL THE FOOD
GONE. HE'LL
LEAVE ON HIS
OWN

NOA-
VER

THEY
DON'T EVEN
COMPARE...



I'M NOT GOING TO
FEEL SORRY FOR HIM.
ALL HIS NASTY TODAY
IS A BONE OF
NOGLES



tick
tick

tick
tick

tick
tick

tick
tick

tick
tick

FOR SOME
REASON, I FEEL...

...UNBASK

I CAN'T
GO THROUGH
WITH IT I'LL
GIVE HIM THE
FISH HEADS.

KRRRR
ZZZZ...

EN?

THAT NOISE... DID THAT
COME OUT OF HIM?

KRRRR
ZZZZZ....

フズフズフズフズ
KRRRRR...



IS THE
WHY OF
FISH
AND...



AGH...MY
BAG...THE FISH
HEADS ARE IN
THE BAG.



THUD



GRAB IT!!!



WHE
~!

IT CAN'T
BE...

IT
CAN'T...

NO...NO!
I DON'T WANT
TO DIE YET!



LOOK AT HIM!
HE SAYS EVERYTHING
IN SIGHT!



AN-NAT
A CUBES
SITUATION!

SEE WHEN HE LING
FOR A REFUSE.





WHO SAYS
YOU COULD
EAT? THAT'S
JUST BAD
MANNERS!

II-
SPLAT!

GRANDPA!
DON'T EAT
HERE!

DON'T WORRY
THE LITTLE
BUTTERBALL
IS FINE.

EXP



SMILE

HI HI HI...

WHA? HE
WAS BY

IT'S BEING
CHOKED ON.

BY THE
WAY...



YOU'LL TAKE A
PART-TIME JOB
AT MY STORE,
RIGHT?

SERIOUSLY?

YOU CALL
YOURSELF MY
UNCLE?

GEEZ
FINE I'LL
DO IT.

COME
ONWARD.
TIME TO EAT
YOUR DAD
STOPPED BEING
STUMBORN.



THIS MEAL
WILL BE DEDUCTED
FROM YOUR FIRST
CHECK...

SAY WHAT? THAT'S
EXTORTION! YOU'RE
EATING TOO!

LIVING WITH A GHOST

AT THE LIBRARY THAT NIGHT...

THINK OF
IT AS A JOB
PLACEMENT
FILE.

A JOB PLACEMENT
FILE? WHY DON'T YOU
SKIN A FLEA FOR ITS
HIDE WHILE YOU'RE
AT IT?

I ALREADY
HAVE.

LOST
AGAIN.



THE END OF THE REASON WHY I'M
POORER AND MORE BURDENED





HEY, ARE
YOU ALONE,
MIN-HO?
WHEN'S
SUN-GILD?



HE WENT
OUT FOR A
SNACK. WOULD
YOU LIKE SOME
TEA?

SUN-GILD
LOOKS AT THE
SMALL PIE

GLASS.



SPEAK
OF THE
DEVIL.

SMALL
PIECE-WILL
ALL THE
PIECES BE
GONE?

IS THAT YOU, SUN-SHU HONG?

HOW DO YOU STAY THIN EATING LIKE THAT, SUN-SHU?

HEHE, I BROUGHT YOU A CAKE

WOW, I ENJOY THE NAME

I OULND. I JUST DON'T GET FAT.

HEY, MIN-HO, WHAT'S THE NAME OF THIS TEA? IT SMELLS REALLY GOOD.

YOU ARE THE TASTE OF AN ANGEL

IT'S CHAMOMILE. IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE GOOD FOR YOU WHEN YOU FEEL TIRED

I LOVE CHERRYBLOSSOM TEA SETTER.

OH!

I SAID OH!

I'M NOT OLD, YOU'RE TOO YOUNG—

WHAT?!

FOR REAL?

WHEN?!

MAN, I HAD ONLY GONE A SECOND! I CAN'T BELIEVE I MISSED IT!

RELIGION... THE FURTHEST CORNER OF THE LIBRARY?

A LITTLE WHILE AGO, SUN-SHU HAN GETTING SNACKS, AND IT APPEARED IN THE RELIGION SECTION.

SHORT STORIES
ABOUT STUDENTS
WHO DIED IN STRANGE
ACCIDENTS OR COMMITTED
SUICIDE ARE COMMON
AS AIR IN SCHOOLS

HERE, SUCH THINGS
ARE TRUE

THEY CAN USUALLY
BE DISMISSED AS
SILE Gossip, BUT
THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE
IN THIS LIBRARY.

NO ONE BUT
THE THREE OF US
WOULD WILLINGLY
GET FOOT HERE

THERE'S NOTHING
HERE DID IT
WASHER?

DAMN!
I REALLY
WANTED
TO SEE IT

YOU'RE
THE ONLY ONE
WHO COMES TO
SCHOOL WEDNESDAY
TO SEE A
SHORT

WHY DURING THE
HOTTEST SUMMER
DAY, THIS ROOM
STAYS CHILL

WHY DO IT
APPEAR?

THINK ABOUT
I'VE GENT
MOST OF THE
LAST YEAR
HERE, AND I'M
TALKING
SOMETHING
TODAY

DON'T YOU
THINK THERE
HAS TO BE
SOME REASON
IT SHOWED UP
ALL OF A
SUDDEN?

SHORTS ARE
UNPREDICTABLE

HEY-HO, YOU'VE
BEEN SPENDING
TOO MUCH TIME
HERE

BUT HAVE YOU
EVER SLIPPED
OVER?

//

WANG-HYUNG,
LIGHT A
CANDLE. IT'S
TOO DARK IN
HERE.



BY THE
WAY, WHAT'S IN
YOUR BAGS, A
LUN-HYUNG?



A CROSS...

A NECKLACE
OF SABLE
CLONES...

...A HAMMER
AND A NAIL...
ARE YOU
KIDDING?

THEY
WERE GATHERING
DUST AT HOME,
SO...

IS THAT
STREAM DOLL
FOR CASTING
SPELLS?

WHY WOULD YOU
HAVE THINGS IN
THE FIRST
PLACE?



AH...
IT MUST
BE...



...A
POLTERGEIST!!
(BUT THAT'S ONLY
A LEGEND.)



AAAAACK!!!!





UNRELIABLE...

IT'S LIKE A
DREAM COME
TRUE

OH!
THIS IS

SSSK
LCS

UNA-HELLO!
IT'S MOVING.



IT
STOPPED!

THE
LCS

YOU'RE STILL
NOT DONE!
LET'S GO!

I'M
FINISHED!

WHY DID YOU
BUY SO MUCH?
YOU SHOULD
BE GROWING
LIKE A WEED,
THE WAY YOU
SAI!

I HOPE I
WAS AS TALL
AS YOU!

I'M TOO
SHORT! I
SAY AND SAY,
BUT CAN'T
GROW UP.

MIN-HO!

WHAT?
I THOUGHT YOU
WERE WAITING
FOR US AT THE
LIBRARY!

THAT'S
BORING! I
WANT TO
BE THE
TALL





TALK TO ME, GANG-HYUK!



I'LL KILL YOU!



IT'S GONE.



ARE WE SAVED?

MAYBE, MAYBE NOT...

IF NOT, YOU GUYS HAVE TO RUN!

BEING INTO
REALLY FOR
NOW.

SHOTS
WANTS NO TIME
POSSESSING
A BODY.

AAACK!

YOU
WENT
AWAY AT ALL
NIGHTMARE
WHY ARE YOU
SO SCARED?

IT'S
DIFFERENT
TODAY!

IT'S HARDER TO
TALK TO A GHOST
WHEN IT'S ENTERED
A BODY.

ACK! IT
BREAST!

IT'S BEEN
SOME TIME
SINCE I LAST
CONFERRED
WITH ANYONE.

DOIN'
IS TIGHT
SLIM-UP!
I'M NOT
IN BATH
SPECTE...

HOW
DO YOU
KNOW OUR
NAMES?

WELL...

SEE ME GIL, ROM HE GIL
I DON'T DON MYSELF.

...I'VE BEEN
WATCHING
YOU GUYS.

YOU THREE
IT'S THE ONLY
ONE WHO EVER
CAME TO THE
LIBRARY.

EVERYONE ELSE
WAS SCARED
OF YOU

IT'S ALL
OVER NOW

WE NEVER
MINDED
YOU LEAVING
HERE.

DON'T
YOU THINK
IT'S BETTER FOR
YOU TO LEAVE
THIS WORLD AND
GO TO HEAVEN,
THOUGH?

NO!

I'M NOT
LEAVING!

I HOPE
THERE'S NO
CONFUSION.

MIN-HO
WAS LEFT
ON.

MEET THE
BRAND-NEW
MIN-HO!

BRING MIN-HO
BACK, WE'LL MAKE
YOU SORRY IF
YOU DON'T

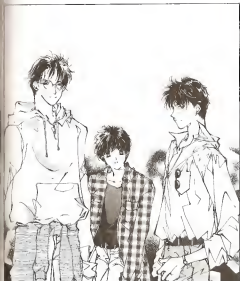
YOU KNOW,
YOU'LL NOT
ALL THAT
SCARED,
MIN-HO?

LEAVE! GO!
I'LL KILL
YOU ALL
OVER
AGAIN!

IN
SPIRIT, I'M A
YOUNG AND
BEAUTIFUL
GIRL.



I'VE
TRIED
GETTING
MTH-40 TO THE
PENCIL. I CAN
MAKE IT ON MYSELF.



SO,
YOU HAVE
NO INTENTION
OF LEAVING?

WHY
SHOULD
I?

I CAN DO
WHATEVER
I WANT.

NEVER.

YOU'RE COLD.
DON'T YOU FEEL
SORRY FOR
MEN-HO?

I FEEL TERRIBLE
ABOUT MEN-HO.

WHAT ARE
YOU SAYING
THAT?

YOU CAN'T
LIVE A
NORMAL
LIFE IN A
MAN'S
BODY.

WE'LL DO
WHATEVER YOU
ASK. LET'S FIX
THIS BEFORE IT
GETS ANY
WORSE.

YOU SHUT UP!
SHUT UP RIGHT
NOW!!

THEN-HO IS
ACTING REALLY
WEIRD?

THAT'S WHAT
EVERYONE, ALL
THE TEACHERS AND
STUDENTS, HAVE
BEEN SAYING.

WANG-HO?
YOU'RE ASHLEY,
RIGHT?

NO,
I'M CHILL.

SO...
WHAT KIND
OF A BOY
SHOULD
I DATE?

UWA...

UWA...

WAT?

OMG, I HAVE
ANOTHER ZIT!
MY SKIN'S LIKE
A ROLLO PATCH
OF ROSE!! I HATE
IT!

I'M DOING A
VITAMIN PACK AS
SOON AS I GET
HOME.

BEATS
ME

SANG-HYUK,
WHO IS MEN-HO
ACTING LIKE
THAT?

I HEARD HE'S
BEEN FLIRTING
WITH ALL THE
BOYS

KNAPP
KNAPP
WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

YOU
WON'T YOU
KNOW?

HEY
TALK FIRST!

YOU KNOW
THAT TALL
GUY ON THE
BASKETBALL
TEAM? A FEW
DAYS AGO...

...MEN-HO
ASKED HIM
OUT.

THAT'S
NOT THE
ONLY
THING...

IN
CLASS
SEVEN,
HE--

ZOOM
HI!!
O

HE HAD
TO SALT
HER DOWN
BEFORE SHE
COULD GO
HOME

WHAT IS
GUY TRYING
TO DO?

FOR ME TO RUN AWAY

HE
LIFE
NEEDS

HE
EXPOSED
SHE

THIS
CAN
TALK!!

IT'S DRIVING
ME CRAZY WHY
DID HE HAVE TO
DO THIS?

GO! LEAVE
EAGLE!

OKAY, LET'S
SOLVE THIS IN
A CIVILIZED
FASHION.

WHAT DO
YOU WANT?
WE'LL DO
ANYTHING.

TRUTHBEING
A SWEET COMES
WITH A HEAVY
PRICE

ALL RIGHT
THEN. GET ME
A DATE WITH
SI-YU HAN.

BULLYP
THAT'S ALL?

BYE BYE
TEXTUAL!

ARE YOU
SURE?

WELL, I'VE
THOUGHT

WHY HAN IS THE
MOST POPULAR
BOY IN SCHOOL
SINCE THERE'S
NO

HE'S LIKE WHEN
HE SINGS

WHATEVER
HE PUTS OUT,
WHETHER IT
BE AN ALBUM
OR A MOVIE, IT
BECOMES ALL
RECORDS...

IF THAT'S
WHAT IT'LL
TAKE TO GET
HAN-NO BACK,
WE'LL DO IT.

GLITTER
GLITTER

GLITTER
GLITTER

FINE.
ONLY ONE
DATE, THOUGH.
NO MORE.

WE'VE SEARCHED FOR
"EAGLE"

WE'VE NO
DUBD THAT HE
DOESN'T EVEN
HAVE TIME TO
GET ON SLEEP

GLITTER
GLITTER

HELP US,
BROTHER!



YOU...

YOU'RE
BLINDING MY
ANNUAL DAY
OFF.



WAKE
UP! YOU'VE
SLEPT FOR TWO
MONTHS HERE.

YOU'RE STILL
YOUNG! YOU
WOULDN'T JUST
BECAUSE YOU
GAVE UP A DAY
OF REST...

...BUT I
PROMISE YOU
I'LL MAKE
TO HIS LIFE
PENDING.

YOU'VE GOT TO
WAKE UP
NOW! YOU'VE GOT TO
WAKE UP!

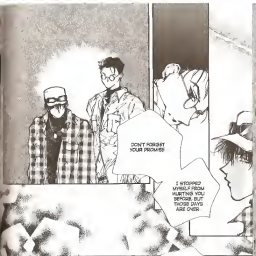
WAKE UP!



WAKE UP!

HERE'S YOUR
DREAM DATE.
YOU GET SIX
HOURS. HAVE A
NICE TIME.

WE'LL BE
WAITING IN THE
OTHER ROOM.



DON'T FORGET
YOUR PROMISE.

I STOPPED
MYSELF FROM
HURTING YOU
BEFORE, BUT
THOSE DAYS
ARE OVER.

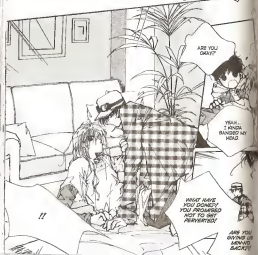
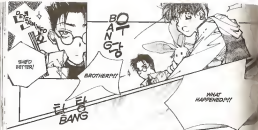


JUST LOOK
AT US. WE'RE
PATHETIC. SITTING
HERE EATING A
BORED LUNCH.



THERE'S
NOTHING WE
CAN DO. IT'S
ONLY ONE
MORE HOUR.

WILL SHE KEEP
HER PROMISE?





YOU
GUYS...

...ONLY
WORRY ABOUT
MYSELF-LOL,
I KNOW I'VE
BEEN A BIT...

...BUT
YOU NEVER
GAVE ME A
SECOND
THOUGHT.



I PUT YOU
AND MIN-RO IN A
DRAFFELY SITUATION,
BUT EVEN SO, YOU'VE
BEEN INVINCIBLY
CALM...



YOU HAVEN'T
SAID MY NAME
EVER ONCE.



I'VE WATCHED
YOU GUYS FOR
SO LONG, I STARTED
TO THINK OF YOU AS
FRIENDS.

HOW
STUPID
OF ME.

IT'S
ALWAYS
THE SAME.

NO ONE CAME
WEEK AFTER MY
ACCIDENT. EVERYONE
ABANDONED
ME.



YOU GUYS
BRING A LITTLE JOY
TO THE LONELY. I HAD
THOSE NEW
FRIENDS.

IT SPEND
EVERY NIGHT
ANTICIPATING
YOUR RETURN
THE NEXT DAY.

THOSE
THOUGHTS
ALWAYS MADE
ME HAPPY.

FROM
SOMEWHERE
HIGH UP TOWARD
HILL, WITH AROUND
2000 MILES
WHEREVER YOU
GO, YOU
WILL BE
HAPPY, SO
WELL.

OF COURSE,
YOU COULDN'T
HAVE KNOWN,
BUT STILL...



IT'S TIME
FOR ME TO GO.
I DON'T WANT
TO BE HERE ANY
LONGER, I'M SICK
OF THIS PLACE!
YOU CAN HAVE
MIN-HO BACK.

DON'T LOOK
SO UPSET, ISN'T
THAT WHAT YOU
WANTED? FOR ME
TO DISAPPEAR?



OF COURSE,
WE WANT MIN-HO
TO COME BACK.
THAT HADN'T
CHANGED.

BUT WE
DON'T WANT YOU
TO LEAVE OR
DISAPPEAR. WE
NEVER WANTED
THAT.

WE ASKED
YOU TO LEAVE ONLY
BECAUSE WE WANTED
MIN-HO BACK. YOU
DON'T GIVE US A
CHANCE TO GET TO
KNOW YOU ENOUGH
TO BE FRIENDS.

BUT IT'S
NOT TOO LATE.
WE COULD STILL
BE FRIENDS IF
WE TRY.

GIVE US
A CHANCE,
PLEASE...





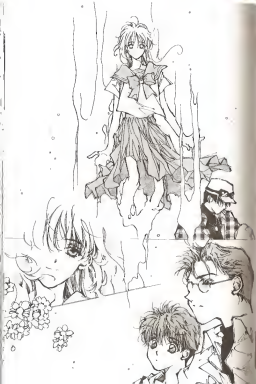
STICK
AROUND,
BE OUR
LIBRARY
BUDDY.



DO YOU
REALLY
MEAN
IT?

DO YOU
REALLY WANT
ME TO STAY?

I CAN'T
HANDLE
BEING
LONGER
ANYMORE.



MYHO CAN
BACK, JUST AS
EXPECTED

YOU
TWO... YOUR
FRIENDSHIP
IS TO BE
SAVED.

REALLY...

EUN-SHYL
YOU SHOWED
ME INTO YOUR
BACK POCKET
AND SAT ON
ME AGAIN
AND
AGAIN!

WHAT? GO
BACK TO THE
BEGINNING OF THIS
STORY AND LOOK
AGAIN. THERE'S NO
MENTION OF
TALK.

NO MENTION?
YOU CAN SEE IT!
WHEN YOU'RE EATING,
I WAS ALMOST UP
YOUR BUTT!

ARE YOU
JOKING?!

SHIT! YOU
WON FORGIVE!

AFTER THAT, WE
COULD SEE AND
TALK TO HIM. EVEN
THOUGH NO ONE
ELSE COULD.

REND

AFTER THAT

BROTHER?

BY THE WAY...



THE END OF AT THE LIBRARY THAT NIGHT

DEBUT
STORY

REPETITION BY FATE

WHERE IS THE PRINCE?





ONE DAY,
IN A KINGDOM
OF GOLD NAMED
CORDOSA, THE KING
SUDDENLY DIED

HIS ONLY SON,
THE PRINCE,
INHERITED
THE THRONE.



OF COURSE...



THE BIRDS
ARE LEAVING.
WHAT'S GOING
ON?



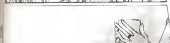
THANK YOU!

WHAT A TASTY MEAL!



I'M SORRY

NOW THAT YOU'VE EATEN, GO HOME!



TM...

...AN
OSMAN

SHOULD I...?

LOOKS →
SHOULD

AND
HOMELESS

SHOULD I...?

LIKE I'M
GOING TO
FALL FOR
THAT
TIERED OLD
LAME!

YOU
WON'T?

NO.

HOW
NAUTY
WAS?

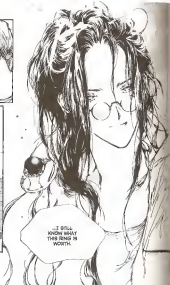
GET
OUT!

IS THERE
ANYONE IN
HERE?

WHAT CAN
I DO FOR
YOU?

HAVE YOU BY
ANY CHANCE SEEN
A BLOND-
HAired
BOY?







I'M
FRIGHTENED
BY WHAT
THEY EXPECT
OF ME



YOUR HIGHNESS, YOU'LL
BE THE KING OF THIS
COUNTRY SOON, ENJOY IT
AND DON'T FORGET ME!!



IT'S AWAY...

THE WEIGHT
OF THIS
RING...

I WISH
TO BE FREE
OF IT.



I DON'T
WANT TO BE
THE KING!

WHY DO
YOU STILL
BROOD?

I BEAR YOUR
BURDEN NOW.

COULD
IT BE THE
TROUBLE
IS WITH YOUR
HEART, NOT
YOUR JEWELRY.
YOUR
HIGHNESS?

HOW DID YOU...?

IT'S JUST A SYMBOL.

SURELY YOU MUST KNOW THAT.

LET'S GO. THEY'RE COMING TO BRING YOU BACK TO THE PALACE.

YOUR HIGHNESS?

WELL,

HAVE YOU BEEN HARMED, YOUR MAJESTY? MY'S SAUN SO WORKED.

LAME...

THE TROUBLE IS WITH YOUR HEART...

AS THE KING'S GUARD, I'M SURE YOU RECOGNIZE THIS

THE ROYAL RING!

IS THAT...?

AS YOU KNOW,
THE GOVIL KING
BELONGS TO THE
KING OF THE
PRINCE

A FINE LITTLE
BOY, ISN'T HE?

THE POWER
OF RULE IS
TRANSFERRED
TO WHOMEVER
WRAPS IT

STILL A BOY?

AFRIND... NO...
YOU... REALLY...
GIVE YOUR KING
TO THAT MAN?

UNTHOUGHT

YES...

DID YOU SAY
"YES" AS IF IT
WAS OF NO
IMPORTANCE
AT ALL?

HE ISN'T THE
MIDNIGHT KING

...

I DON'T
WANT TO BECOME
A KING. I DON'T
HAVE WHAT IT
TAKES TO
RULE.

I CAN NEVER
BE A BELIEVED
LEADER LIKE MY
FATHER WAS

A CHILD...

ONLY A
SMALL LITTLE
BOY COULD GIVE
AWAY HIS ENTIRE
KINGDOM TO THE
FIRST STRANGER
HE MET.

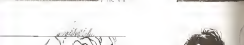
AND ALL BECAUSE
YOU'RE SCARED
OF GROWING UP?

I NOW HOLD
IN MY HAND THE
ABSOLUTE POWER
OF A MONARCH

IF I SO DESIRED,
I COULD START
A WAR OR RAISE
TAXES TO
ENLARGE MY
PERSONAL
TREASURY

IF I RUINED
THIS KINGDOM,
IT WOULD ALL BE
BECAUSE YOU
THREW AWAY
THIS RING.

YOU DON'T
TRUST YOURSELF,
BUT YOU TRUST
ME?



THANK
GOODNESS

I WAS
STARTING
TO THINK YOU'D
NEVER COME
TO YOUR
SENSES.

YEAH--?

TAKE GOOD CARE
OF IT. IF YOU GIVE
IT TO ME AGAIN,
I'LL KISS IT.

I MISS
YOU...

NOTHING
IS GOING
TO STOP
ME.

DON'T
WORRY.

YOUR
HIGHNESS
IT'S TIME
TO GO
BACK TO
THE
PALACE!

THE
THIR

IS THERE
ANYTHING I
CAN DO FOR
YOU TO SHOW MY
APPRECIATION?

THANK
YOU SO MUCH.

NOTHING
YOUR FATHER,
THE LATE KING,
GAVE ME WHAT
I NEEDED A
LONG TIME
AGO.

FATHER?

HE WOULD LOVE
ME.

MAJESTY!

RETURN
TO THE
PALACE
QUICKLY. IT
SHOULDN'T BE
EMPTY FOR SO
LONG.

YEAH!

THEY
WENT
TO THE
PALACE
TO GO
TO THE
DANCE.

AND SO THE PRINCE RETURNED TO THE PALACE.

...AND PEACE
WAS RESTORED TO HIS
KINGDOMS THE NEW KING
AND ALL OF HIS PEOPLE
LIVED HAPPILY EVER
AFTER.

WANT
MY SON
CUTE?

ALL EXCEPT FOR ONE.

OH, FATHER!
LONG TIME NO
SEE. DID YOU
SEE MY SON?

OF COURSE
I DID. HE
LOOKS
EXACTLY
LIKE ME!

PRINCE
AGAIN, MY
SUCCESSOR
SUCCEEDED
BECAME A
KING.

ONE
SILVER!

WHY AM
I DOOMED
TO LIVE
THIS DREAM
AGAIN AND
AGAIN?

THE END OF WHERE IS THE BRIDGE?

WELL, RUNNING
AWAY FROM FATAL
CURSES IS A FAMILY
TRADITION, AND
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE
WHO CAN SET OUR
BOYS STRAIGHT!
NOT MY LATE
HUSBAND.

I'M TIRED
OF THIS!

THE PRICE FOR LIFTING A CURSE SILVER GARDEN





GET THE
HELL OUT OF
THIS TOWN...
MONSTER!

I DON'T
LIKE IT
MYSELF...

STOP...

DON'T
EVEN THINK
OF COMING
BACK HERE!

LUEN
IS DYING
BECAUSE
OF YOU!

I DON'T
LIKE THE
WAY I
AM!

AND IT...

...A DREAM?

I DREAM
A LOT THESE
DAYS.

OH...

ACH!

PLEASE FORGIVE ME, BUT I WAS STARVING!

ATE...
THEN...

MY PECOSES
DISAPPEARED...
I WAS GOING TO
PICKLE THEM WITH
RED PEPPER PASTE...
THIS YEAR, REDDER
SASSIS WERE RARE,
SO I DIDN'T EVEN
GET TO PLAY! THAT
MANY...AND YOU
GORGED THEM
UP!

YOU
ATE
THEM
UP...

CALM
DOWN.

DEAR GOD...

GET READY,
BECAUSE I'M
COMING!

SH!
DOES THAT
MEAN YOU'RE—

SH!
HMM?

DON'T ACT
SO FAKING.
YOU'LL GET
THE EYE-
BOPERS.

IS SOMETHING
WRONG?

IT CAN'T
BE! THAT
STRANGE
ARM IS...

DON'T USE
A HIDE. IT'S
REALLY SCARY
AS A WEAPON!
YOU MIGHT
DESTROY HIS
SKIN AND
ORGANS.

STRANGLE HIM
THAT'S A BETTER
WAY TO KILL HIM

THEY'RE
JOKING!



NO, WHY
WOULD YOU
BOOM THE
FORGET ALL
NIGHT
LOOKING
FOR ME?



WELL...

IS IT TRUE THAT
YOU HELP PEOPLE IF
YOU THINK THEY HAVE
INTERESTING PROBLEMS?

...I HEARD PEOPLE
TALKING ABOUT YOU
AT THE VILLAGE INN.

WHAT, YOU
THINK IT'S JUST
A RUMOR?

NO!
NOT AT
ALL!

I DON'T WANT
TO GET THE FEELING
UP TO BRUISE!

TELL ME
ABOUT YOUR
PROBLEM.

I'VE
DECIDE
WHETHER
I'M
GOING
TO HELP
YOU OR
NOT AFTER
I LISTEN
TO YOUR
STORY.

OF COURSE
WE AREN'T FREE
IN A CAPITALIST
SOCIETY. THERE IS
AN EXCHANGE OF
Adequate PAY
FOR SERVICES
RENDERED.

I DISCOVERED
THIS HAND..

I..

SOMETHING
PRAKAY HAPPENED
TO ME A FEW YEARS
AGO. I HAD JUST
RECOVERED FROM A
SERIOUS ILLNESS..



...WAS
CAPABLE OF
MURDER!

HA HA HA,
JUST AS I
EXPECTED.

HE'S BORN
THROUGH
HERE

I'LL FOLLOW
YOU TO THE ENDS
OF THE EARTH!
MINA-HA-HA!

WHATEVER
I WANT, IT WAS
THE SAME
STORY

LET ME
SEE YOUR
HAND

WAITING
NOT IF YOU
TOUCH MY
HAND—

DON'T WORRY
ABOUT IT, JUST
LET ME SEE.

IF I TOUCHED
YOU WITH THIS
HAND, YOU'D
DROP DEAD

WITH
MY FINGER
AND FINGER
CUTTING ME THE
OTHER SIDE
AND I WOULD BE
OUT OF THIS
WORLD

DO YOU
HAVE A SPECIAL
TALENT?

I'M SO JEALOUS
NO ROOM, TO KILL
FOR SOMETHING LIKE
THAT! I'D RISE THE
WORLD OF PEOPLE
I HATE!

WHAT'S SO GOOD
ABOUT A BORING,
ORDINARY LIFE?
GROW SOME
STONES, MAN!

I DON'T WANT
TO BE DIFFERENT!
I WANT A NORMAL
LIFE JUST LIKE
EVERYONE ELSE.

RKA IS THE
GUEST ROOM
CLUNK?

NO, WE'VE HAD
NO GUESTS, SO IT'S
JUST BEEN GATHER-
ING DUST.

LOOKING
FOR A ROOM
TO LIVE IN?

RKA WILL SHOW
YOU TO YOUR ROOM
RIGHT FOR A WHILE, IN
THE MEANTIME, I'LL
THINK ABOUT WHETHER
I'M GOING TO HELP YOU
OR NOT!

DO YOU THINK
THERE MIGHT
BE A WAY TO
CURE MY
CONDITION?

LOOK, I'LL
DECIDE WHAT I
WANT TO DO. REG-
ARDLESS OF WHAT
YOU SAY, AND
YOU'LL LOSE OUT.
BE PATIENT AND
WAIT FOR MY
ANSWER.

AND MY
FEE IS PRETTY
HIGH. EVEN
IF I DO END
UP HELPING
YOU, DO YOU
THINK YOU
CAN HANDLE
IT?

THEN
WHY--?



LUN, LOOK
AT MY HAND IT
DOESN'T SEEM
RIGHT

DON'T
WORRY
WE'LL GO TO
A DOCTOR
TOMORROW.
IT'S PROBABLY
NOTHING.

LUN IS
DEAD, YOU
MURDERER

DEMON,
YOU HAVE
A DEAL
WITH THE
DEVIL.



I DON'T WANT
TO BE THIS WAY.
I'M NOT A MONSTER.
I'M CERTAINLY NO
DEMON. I NEVER
MEANT TO HURT
ANYONE.



I CAME TO
CHANGE THE
SHEETS

I ALSO
BOUGHT
YOU SOME-
THING TO EAT.
I'M SORRY
YOU HAVEN'T
HAD A MEAL
ALL DAY.



AREN'T YOU
AFRAID OF ME?



WHAT'S
GONE ON?

ARE YOU
SLEEPING?



YOU'RE
KINDA
FUNNY.

YOU
ALMOST
SOUND UPSET
THAT I'M NOT
SCARED

NO... THAT'S
NOT IT.



IF YOU CAN
KILL ME WITH
THAT HAND, I'LL
APPLAUD YOU.

WHO
IS THAT
HAND?

WHOP



WHAT ARE
YOU DOING
CALLING ME
AT THIS
HOUR?

QUIT
JOKING
AROUND!

YOU'RE
NICE TO
EVERYONE
BUT ME.

THAT'S
SUCH A LIE!
I'VE HAD
NUMBERS!

IF YOU'RE
SO SHARP,
BE THAT
BOY.

NOW YOU'RE THE
LIEZ! IT'S MATHS
ALLOVE YOUR
TICK.

SAVE
ME THE
HASSLE



HEH HEH HEH...
YOU CAN'T HIDE
FROM ME NO
MATTER WHERE
YOU GO

THAT GUY'S REALLY
CREEPING ME OUT.

COME WITH ME. IF WE JOIN
HANDS, WE CAN EASILY
CONQUER THE WORLD.

DON'T
THAT TURN
YOU ON?

HELL
NO!!!

FINE, THEN
COME WITH
ME, CUTE!

IN YOUR
DREAMS, YOU
PUNKY!

HE WAS ONCE
A PROFESSOR
WHO STUDIED
SUPERNATURAL
POWER... BUT
NOW, WELL, YOU
CAN SEE FOR
YOURSELF.

WHO
IS THAT
DICK?

I DO BELIEVE
I'VE HEARD OF
THIS WIZARD.

I'M NOT
GOING UNTIL
THE SORCERER
CURES MY
DREAMS!

PERHAPS
I SHOULD
TALK HIM
WITH ME
TOO.

WHY
WOULD I GO
ANYWHERE
WITH YOU?

YOU'RE
DUMBER
THAN YOU
LOOK.



WHAT'RE YOU
DOING LUP?
IT'S BEHIND US!

SHUT
UP!

YOU
SAID
WE
SHOULD
GO
ON
TO
THE
NEXT
LEVEL!

THE WHOLE
WORLD IN MY
HANDS! WHAT
A GLORIOUS
DREAM THAT
IS!

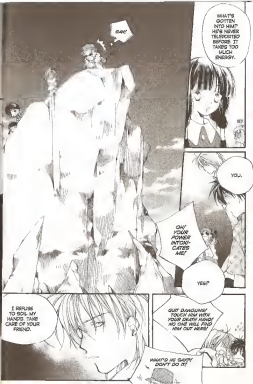
WHAT'S
GOING ON
HERE? ARE YOU
INCAPABLE OF
TAKING CARE
OF HIM? IT'S
SHAMEFUL!

AND, OH, IT'S THE
FAMOUS SOURCE! WHAT'S THE GOOD
WORLD CARE TO
CREATE A PARADISE
TOGETHER?

Crack

Crack

Crack



GO!

WHAT'S
GOTTEN
INTO HIM?
HE'S NEVER
TELEPORTED
BEFORE. IT
TAKES TOO
MUCH
ENERGY.

YOU.

OH,
YOUR
POWER
INTER-
CATE'S
AHEAD!

YES?

I REFUSE
TO LET MY
HANDS TAKE
CARE OF YOUR
FRIEND.

OH, SHAMEFUL!
TOOKEN HIM WITH
YOUR DEATH HAND!
HE'S ONE WILL FIND
HIM OUT HERE!

WHAT'S HE SAYING
DON'T DO IT!



OH...

LOOK AT MY HAND!
IT'S NORMAL AGAIN

QUICK!
HE MOVED FAST.

I THOUGHT
IT'D TAKE
AT LEAST
A DAY!

NO!
YOUR
POWER
CAN'T BE
GONE!

WHAT
ABOUT OUR
PARADISE?
MY PARA-
DISE!



NO!

GAWD! WHAT A
CHATTERBOX.

IS THAT
YOUR SHIRT
HOLE?

IS HE
GOING
TO DIE?

PROBABLY
NOT. I WOULDN'T
WORRY ABOUT IT.

ANYWAY...

...I SOLVED
YOUR PROBLEM
FOR YOU...

...SO THERE'S
THE LITTLE MATTER
OF MY BILL.

I FEEL GROSSY
FOR YOU.



AS
FAR AS
I KNOW.

HAS HE
ALWAYS BEEN
LIKE THIS?

IT'S A
LITTLE
ROUGH,
BUT
LONG-
TERM.

HE ACTS
COLDHEARTED
BUT HE'S
REALLY A
NORMIE.

NO WON?

YOU'RE
DELICIOUS,
MUM!

HOW COME
YOU'RE
GETTING
POKE WHEN I
DO ALL THE
WORK?

IT'S
GET YOU
BACK WHEN
YOU'RE GOING
FASER!



THE END OF JEWEL GARDEN

SPECIAL THANKS TO
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AND INTERDOD.

A WORD FROM THE AUTHOR

THE STORIES CONTAINED IN THIS VOLUME ARE ALL PRINTED JUST AS THEY ORIGINALLY WERE. I HAVEN'T MADE ANY CHANGES (WELL, ALMOST NONE). I THOUGHT PEOPLE MIGHT NOT RECOGNIZE THEM IF I CHANGED THEM TOO MUCH. TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, I THOUGHT I'D SET IT ON FIRE IF I HAD TO GO BACK AND REVISE ANY OF IT. "THE ALIEN HOUSE" REQUIRED A LOT OF EFFORT, BUT IF I HAD TO CHOOSE MY FAVORITE, IT WOULD BE MY FIRST STORY. I LIKE IT A LOT, BUT AT THE SAME TIME IT SCARES ME TO LOOK AT IT AGAIN. (I WON'T REPEAT THE TITLE—IT'S IN THE TABLE OF CONTENTS.) I THANK YOU FOR PURCHASING THIS COLLECTION OF MY SHORT COMICS!



